

## **CLIMATE CHANGE**

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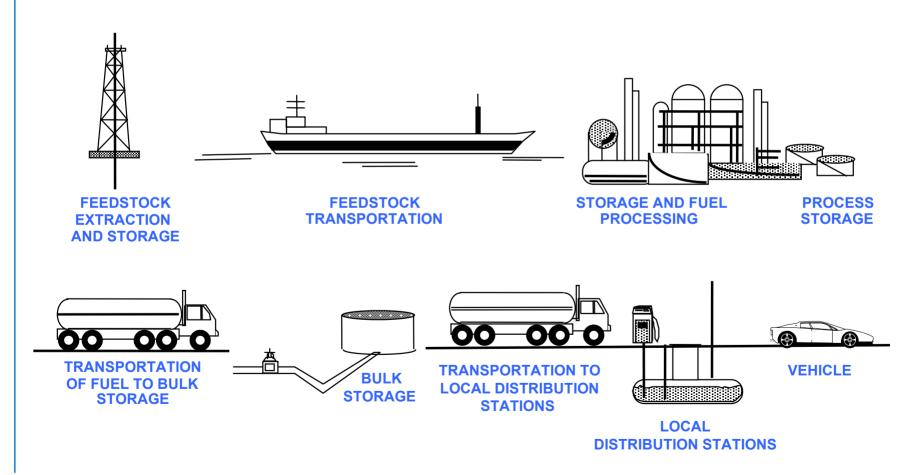
### Introduction

- Alternative fuels and advanced vehicle technologies offer substantial reductions in GHG emissions
- Fuel economy should be stated in miles per equivalent gasoline gallon (mpeg) for direct comparisons (energy basis)
- Comparison of alternative to conventional fuels should consider full fuel cycle emissions to take all factors into account



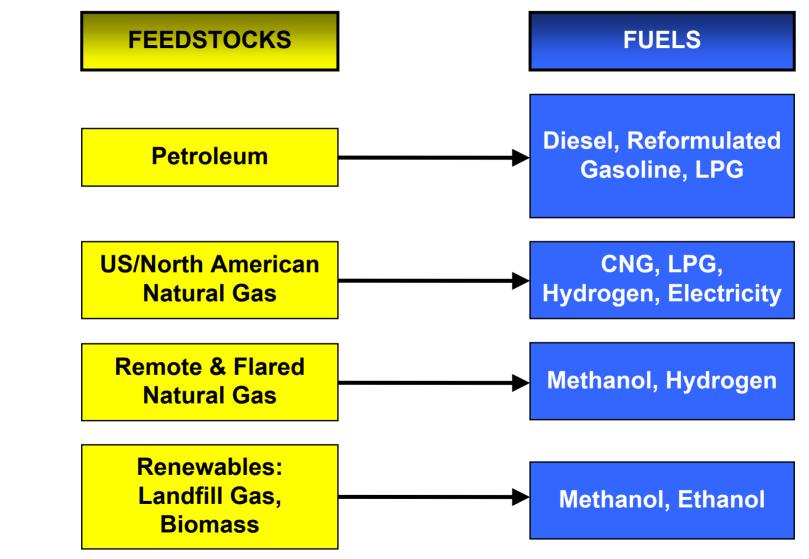
## Full Fuel Cycle...

## Emission impacts of alternative fuels should be compared on a full fuel cycle basis



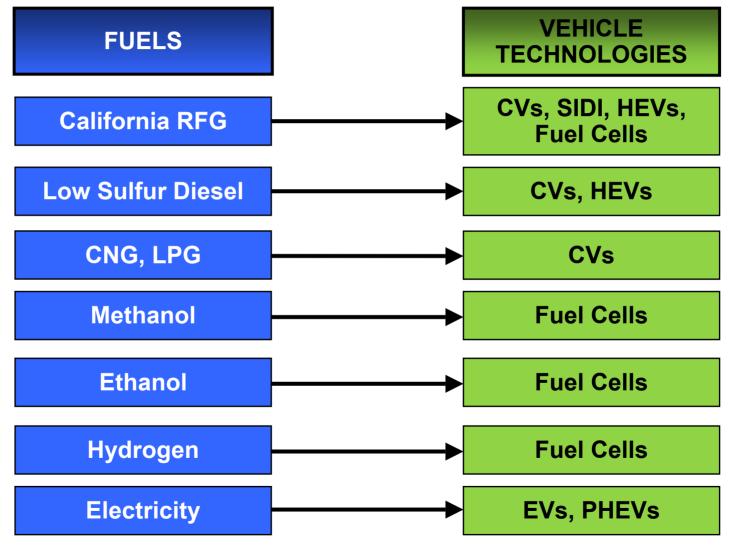


### **Fuels and Feedstocks**





## **Fuels and Vehicles**





### **Model and Data Sources**

- Modified version of ANL GREET 1.6
- California Specific baseline fuels
  - California RFG Phase 3
  - California Low Sulfur Diesel
- California Electricity Generation Mix
- GHG EFs from EPA Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2001
- Fuel economies from EPA Inventory of U.S.
   Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2001 and EPRI HEVWG reports



## **Scenarios**

- New Mid-size Passenger Cars
- GHG Forming Potential
  - $CO_2 = 1$
  - CH<sub>4</sub> = 21
  - $N_2O = 310$
- Near Term 2010
  - Fuels CA RFG 3, CA LS Diesel, CNG, LPG, Electric
  - Vehicles CVs, HEVs, PHEVs, EVs
  - Baseline CV on CA RFG 3 25 mpg



## **Scenarios**

- Long Term 2025
  - Fuels CA RFG 3, CA LS Diesel, Methanol, Ethanol, Hydrogen, Electric
  - Hydrogen Production Central Plant, Refueling Station, Electrolysis
  - Renewables Flared Gas, Land Fill Gas, Biomass
  - Vehicles CVs, SIDI, HEVs, PHEVs, FCV, EVs
  - Baseline CV on CA RFG 3 29 mpg



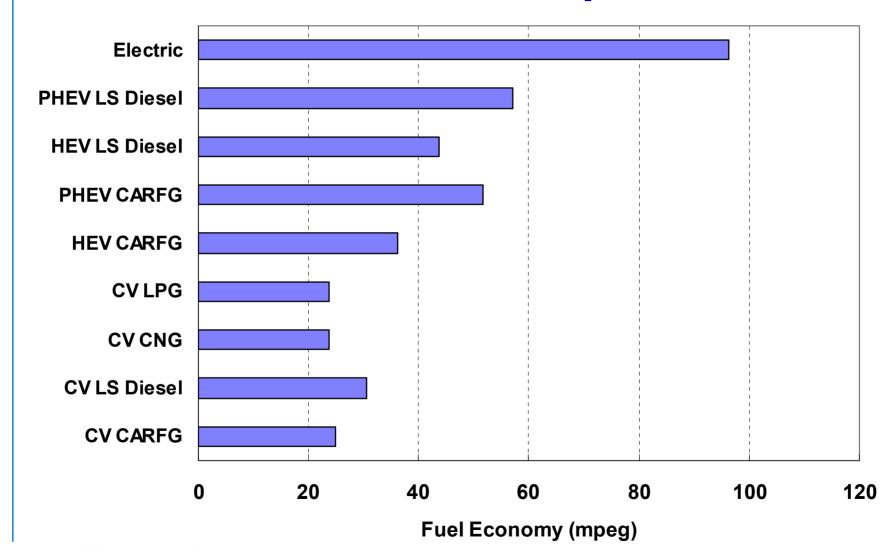
# California Electricity Generation Mix Projections

Determined using ICF Consulting's IPM Forecast Model Average Generation mix assumed for fuel production & transportation use

Fuel	2010 Simulation	2025 Simulation
Residual oil	0.0%	0.0%
Natural gas	48.2%	67.1%
Coal	1.3%	0.8%
Nuclear	15.9%	10.0%
Others	34.6%	22.1%
CC NG / NG	71.9%	88.0%

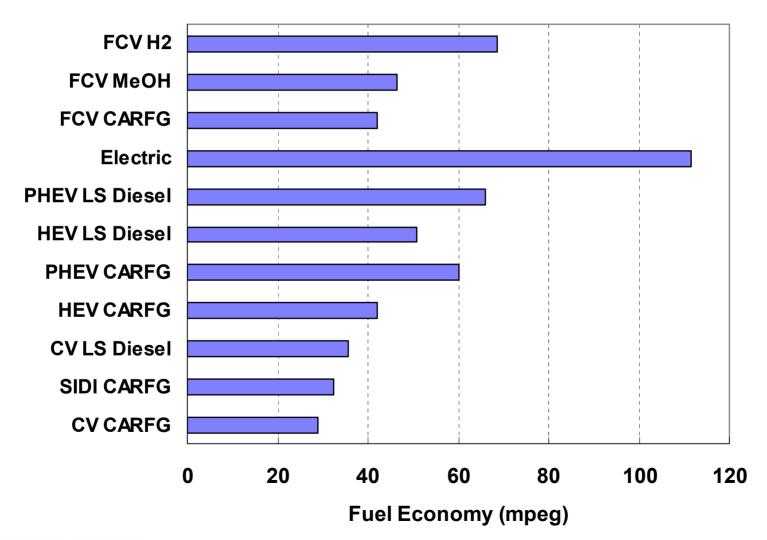


## Fuel Economy Comparisons 2010 Assumptions





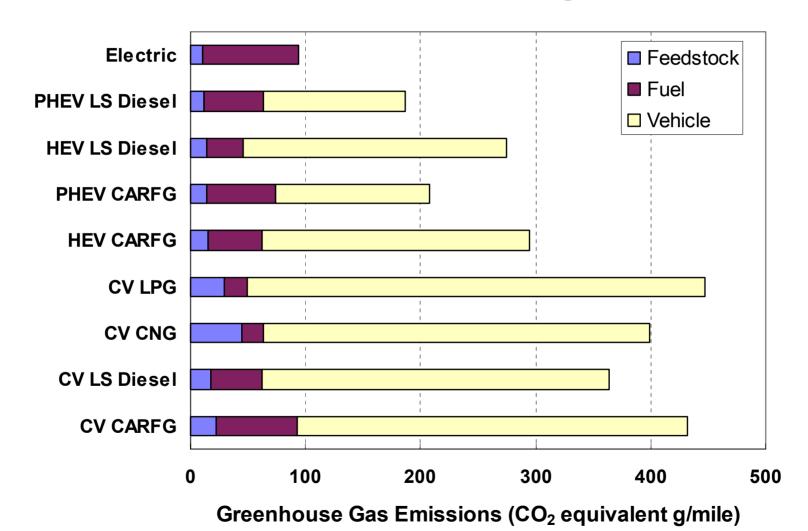
## Fuel Economy Comparisons 2025 Assumptions





## **GHG Comparisons**

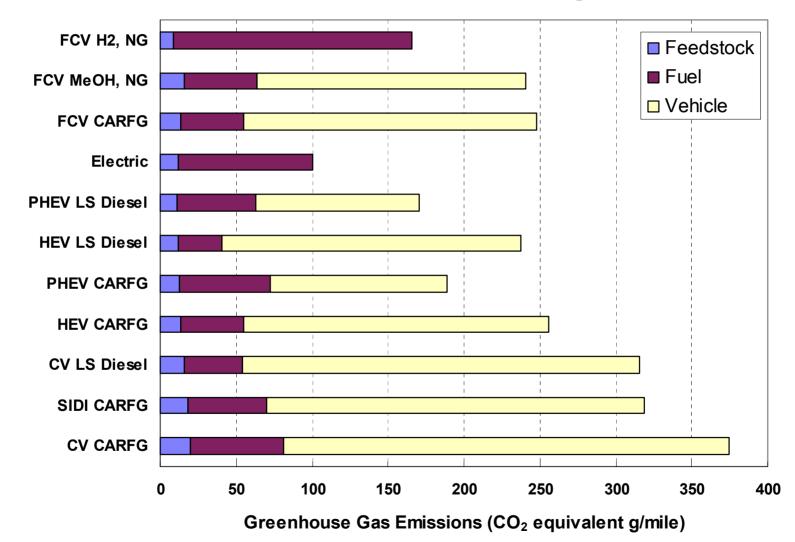
#### **2010 Technologies**





## **GHG Comparisons**

#### **2025 Technologies**





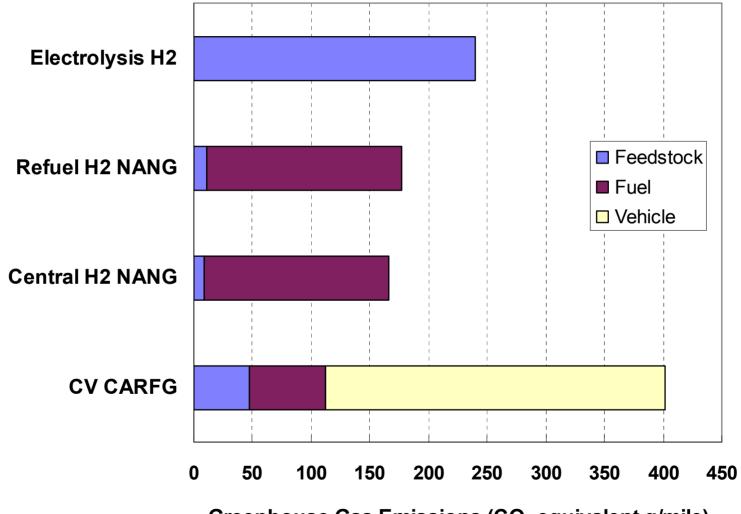
## Hydrogen Production Scenarios

- Central Plant
  - North American Natural Gas
- Refueling Station
  - North American Natural Gas
- Electrolysis



## **GHG Comparisons**

#### **Hydrogen Fuel Cells**



Greenhouse Gas Emissions (CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent g/mile)



## Renewable Scenarios Double Counting

- Flared Gas used for Methanol or Hydrogen
  - Subtract GHGs that would have occurred if flared
- Land Fill Gas used for Methanol
  - Subtract GHGs from LFG entering atmosphere
- Woody or Herbaceous Biomass used for Ethanol
  - Produces Lignin which can be used to produce electricity
  - Net energy produced is greater than that needed to produce the fuel



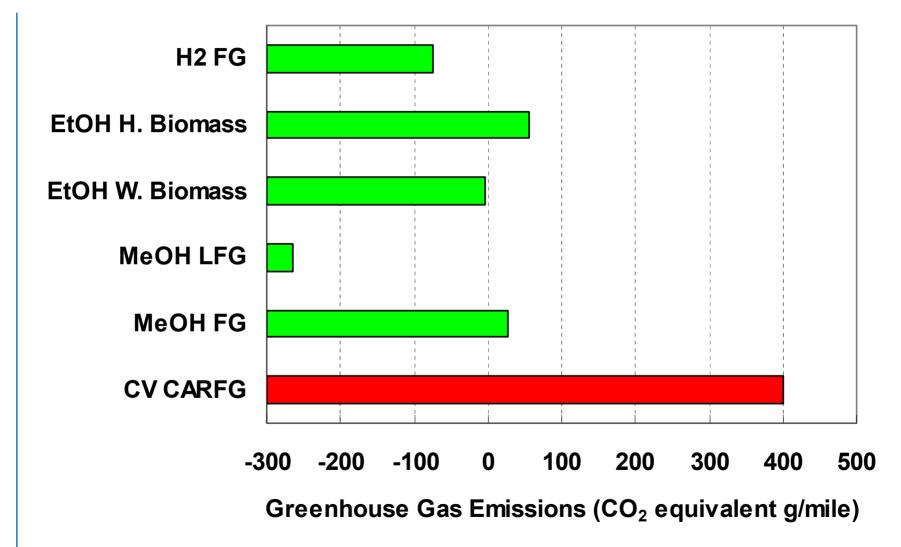
### Renewable Scenarios

- Renewable Fuels and Feedstocks
  - Methanol from Non-North American Flared Gas
  - Methanol from Land Fill Gas
  - Ethanol from Woody Biomass
  - Ethanol from Herbaceous Biomass
  - Hydrogen from Non-North American Flared Gas



## **GHG Comparisons**

#### **Renewable Fuels in Fuel Cells**





## **Conclusions**

- Full fuel cycle GHG emissions are affected by feedstock mix, carbon content of the fuel, and vehicle fuel economy
- Near term technologies
  - Gasoline and Diesel HEVs provide over 30% reduction in GHG emissions
  - Plug-in hybrid vehicles provide over 50% reduction in GHG emissions
  - Electric vehicles provide over 75% reduction in GHG emissions



## **Conclusions**

- Fuel cell vehicles operating on gasoline or methanol from natural gas provide equal benefit to diesel HEVs (35%)
- Fuel cell vehicles operating on hydrogen from natural gas provide equal benefit to PHEVs on gasoline or diesel (50%)
- Renewable fuels can provide negative greenhouse gas emissions due to double counting issues



## **Conclusions**

- Ethanol from herbaceous biomass and methanol from flared gas produce very low greenhouse gas emissions
- Ethanol from woody biomass, hydrogen from flared gas and methanol from landfill gas produce negative greenhouse gas emissions
- Both near term and future technologies can significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- Solutions need to be cost-effective and acceptable to consumers